CHAPTER 558

(House Bill 1120)

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax - Effective Rate Agreements

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Comptroller to enter into certain effective rate agreements with vendors to allow a vendor to compute sales and use tax liability for purchases made by the vendor for a specific period using a predetermined agreed-upon effective rate; authorizing the Comptroller to issue direct payment permits authorizing the direct payment of sales and use tax due on purchases by a vendor subject to an effective rate agreement; and generally relating to the administration of the sales and use tax due on purchases by certain licensed vendors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Tax - General

Section, 11-407

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Tax - General

11-407.

- (a) (1) [On] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, ON or after July 1, 1993, the Comptroller may not:
- (i) grant the authority to make direct payment, to the Comptroller, of sales and use tax due on purchases by a vendor; or
 - (ii) issue permits evidencing such authority.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection, the Comptroller may continue to administer direct payment permits issued to vendors before July 1, 1993.
 - (3) The Comptroller may:
- (i) [allow the use of] ISSUE the permit subject to reasonable and necessary terms and conditions; and
 - (ii) revoke the direct payment permit at any time for cause.
- (b) A vendor who receives evidence that the buyer has a direct payment permit is discharged from:
 - (1) the duty to collect the sales and use tax; and